



## \$25,000 BONUS IS WANTED

**PARLOR MEAT MARKET,**  
103 West Main Street.



# To Close Out Our Heavy Weight Suits Prices Are Cut Nearly in Two

Men's All Wool Suits, wide facings, sewed with silk; sold at \$5.00, \$4.90 and \$6.50; choice..... **\$3.85**

Men's \$7, \$7.50 and \$8 Suits, Good cuts, in Cheviots and Cassimeres, Choice at..... **\$4.90**

Our \$9.00 and \$10.00 Suits, Choice at..... **\$6.75**

Our \$15 Suits, Choice at..... **\$9.75**

Choice of Men's \$18 Fine Suits At..... **\$12.75**

## BIG BARGAINS IN MEN'S HEAVY PANTS.

\$5.00 and \$6.00 Pants, choice at **\$3.95**

Men's \$4.00 and \$4.50 Pants..... **\$2.95**  
Men's \$3.00 and \$3.50 Pants..... **\$2.60**  
Men's \$2.50 and \$3.00 Pants..... **\$2.15**  
Men's \$2.00 and \$2.25 Pants..... **\$1.60**

## Cut Prices on OVERCOATS and BOYS' CLOTHES.

## OTTENHEIMER & CO.,

The Reliable Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers.  
MASONIC TEMPLE BLOCK.

## The ARCADE.

Winter Goods Away Below Value.

**\$1.39 Fleeced Wrappers, 69c**  
Ladies' heavy flannel fleeced Wrappers, made full and neat fitting, tight in armholes, regular price is \$1.39, to close out the lot we make two prices.

**Boys' 25c Heavy Hose, 15c**  
Our extra heavy fleeced hose for boys, made right and with the very best fleecing, all sizes; our regular 25c line reduced to 15c.

**Ladies' 25c Hose, 17c**  
Ladies' heavy fleeced Black Hose, either ribbed or plain, extra quality throughout. We are overloading on this line and we reduce them to 17c.

**25c Henrietta Cloths, 15c**  
The best of Henrietta Cloths, in black, navy green and red. Our regular 25c line now 15c.

**45c All Wool Brocades, 29c**  
Extra light weight Black Brocade, in all colors, best black and stylish figures. Our regular price 45c, now 29c.

**Spool Cotton, 2 for 5c**  
Good soft touch machine thread, will stand work as any thread made, two spools for 5c.

**75c Woolen Skirt Patterns, 39 cents**  
One of our Ladies' Woolen Skirt Patterns, assorted styles and colors, regular 75c to close at 39c.

**50c Covert Cloths, 35c**  
Lined wool Covert Cloths in green, navy, grey and brown mixtures, neat, stylish and dressy for skirts, regular 50c, now 35c.

**Borated Talcum Powder, 5c**  
Avery Borated Talcum Powder, highly perfumed, in a sprinkler top tin box, 5c.

**15c Berry Dishes, 7c**  
50 Glass Berry Dishes, 7 inch size, cut glass pattern, worth 15c, while they last, each 7c.

**Ladies' \$1.25 Warm Lined Shoes, 79c**  
Ladies' Warm Lined Shoes, cold-defying and solid wearing shoes, regular \$1.25 and \$1.25, to close them out, 79c.

Only one life to live,  
Only one stomach to use,  
Therefore put only the best into them both.

You Buy THE BEST Groceries  
—AT—  
**HEILMAN'S,** Lincoln Square.

### LOCAL NEWS.

**Davis—Cabs 25c, Trucks 15c.**  
Smoke the Little Joker—5 cent cigar.  
Geo. W. Ehrhart loans money on any goods. Collateral, best rates. mch22-1f

Wanted—Girl for general housework at 738 West William street.

You pay a little more for the clothes that Denz makes but—

The funeral of the six year-old son of William Johnson was held today from the residence of J. A. Love, 761 East Clay street. The child died at the family home at Springfield, and was brought to Decatur for burial in Greenwood cemetery.

All February magazines and periodicals today at the Delicatessen, No. 236 North Main street. We have everything in the way of popular periodicals. Many publications that other dealers have not.—1-d1w

The income tax has been changed 18 times since 1843, varying from two pence in the pound to 16 pence.

California fruits at Giessner's, 143 East Prairie.

Don't get scared when your heart troubles you. Most likely you suffer from indigestion. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat. It will cure every form of Dyspepsia. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

Rev. George F. Hall has engagements to lecture February 27 and 28 at Do Funtack Springs, Florida, under the auspices of the Florida Chautauqua. The subjects are "The Model New Woman" and "America in the 20th Century." Mr. Hall will preach Sunday evening, February 26, at the Springs. On the trip south he will be accompanied by Mrs. Hall, and both may go to Cuba for a few days.

The Delicatessen delivers Chicago and St. Louis papers more promptly than any news dealer can.—1-d1

### Fire This Morning.

There was a fire this morning at a residence in the 1000 block on South Colfax street. An alarm was turned in and both chemicals responded. The fire started from a stove and the roof of the house was burned off.

### For La Grippe.

Thomas Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash av., corner Jackson st., one of Chicago's oldest and most prominent druggists, recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for la grippe, as it not only gives a prompt and complete relief, but also counteracts any tendency of la grippe to result in pneumonia. For sale by H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

### Miss Wagg's Lectures

Miss Wagg gave her third lecture and demonstration on cookery at the Woman's club rooms this morning. The lecture tomorrow will be given at 7.30 o'clock in the evening.

### Bethesda—Nature's Own Specific.

Bethesda is Nature's own specific for all diseases of the kidneys. It acts directly, quickly and its effects are lasting. It is used, prescribed and recommended by hundreds of physicians. Thousands have been cured of Bright's Disease and kindred affections by use of a few bottles. Write today for full particulars and get booklet giving partial list of cures. It has cured others and will cure you, so do not delay until too late. Sold only in sealed half-gallon bottles, by druggists. Write A. M. JONES, President, Bethesda Mineral Spring Co., Waukesha, Wis.

### Recital Postponed.

Mrs. Buan's recital which was to have been held next Friday evening, has been postponed until next Tuesday evening, February 7, on account of Bishop Vincent's lecture occurring on Friday evening.

### Committee Met.

The members of the committee having in charge the arrangements for the Y. M. C. A. reception to be given next Tuesday evening, held a meeting last night. The reception is to be a big affair and preparations are being made for a large attendance.

### Selling Space.

The members of the Goodman band say they are having no difficulty in selling exhibit space to the merchants for the county fair which is to be given at the corn carnival building this month. Many of the merchants and manufacturers of the city will have booths where their goods will be exhibited.

## Coughing

Constant coughing is very annoying, and the continuous hacking and irritation will soon attack and injure the delicate lining of the throat and air passages. Take advice and use Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup in time. This wonderful remedy will cure you.

## Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP

Cures a Cough or Cold at once. Doses are small and pleasant to take. Do not recommend it. Price 25c. At all druggists.

### OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Entertainment Held Last Evening at the Guards' Armory—Large Attendance.

The members of Easterly Camp of Modern Woodmen and Golden Crown Camp of Royal Neighbors held a joint public installation last evening at the Guards' armory. There was a large attendance and those who were present passed a pleasant evening. There was music by the orchestra and A. D. Kazar gave a recitation after which the officers of Golden Crown Camp were installed as follows, Mrs. J. H. Kingsley acting as installing officer: Oracle—Mrs. D. Kingsley. Vice Oracle—Mrs. Pollock. Chancellor—Mrs. Harry Ruthrauff. Marshal—Mrs. Clady Lloyd. Assistant Marshal—Mrs. Burgess. Recorder—Mrs. H. W. Richards. Receiver—Mrs. Newman. I. S.—Miss Katherine Williams. O. S.—Mrs. Majors. Physicians—Mrs. Bell, Pollock and Burk.

Managers—Mrs. Crawford, H. W. Richards and Mrs. J. W. Shoemaker. There was an exhibition drill by the degree staff of Camp 129 and trio rendered the "Arkansas Traveler."

J. H. Kingsley installed the following officers of Easterly Camp:

V. C.—H. Ruthrauff. W. A.—William Scully. E. B.—T. J. Osorne. Clerk—H. W. Richards. Assistant Clerk—D. F. Hostetler. Escort—Charles Potter. Sentry—G. W. Portwood. Watchman—Robert Burns. Manager—Dr. C. Taylor Ball. Physicians—Mrs. M. D. Pollock, J. H. Burk.

The Forrester team gave an exhibition drill and there was an old fiddler's contest and a declamation by W. N. Harvey.

### FORRESTERS.

A meeting of the Independent Order of Forresters was held last evening at Dr. Drew's office and the following officers elected:

Past Chief Ranger—E. F. Stringer. Chief Ranger—M. Einstein. Vice Chief Ranger—A. A. Ackerman. Recording Secretary—O. W. Dawson. Financial Secretary—H. E. Summers. Treasurer—F. A. Caldwell. Court Deputy and Physician—Dr. A. M. Drew.

### C. H. & D. PURCHASE.

OLNEY, ILL., February 1.—The Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad to-day takes possession of the Chicago and Ohio River railway, hitherto known as the Chicago division of the Peoria Decatur and Evansville. The road extends from this city to Sidell, Ill., a distance of seventy-nine miles. It purchased the road at a court sale Dec. 16, 1898. The road will in the future be operated as a part of the Indiana, Decatur and Western railway.

### QUAY STILL SHORT.

HARRISBURG, PA., Feb. 1.—In the ballot for senator today Quay was still 13 short of enough to elect.

DOVER, DEL., February 1.—Gray and Addicks still lead for senator, but the deadlock was unbroken by today's balloting.

### READY TO SAIL.

NEW YORK, February 1.—The second battalion of the 17th regulars arrived here this morning. They will sail for Manila tomorrow.

### Mattoon Will Play.

A bowling team will be in Decatur some evening next week to play a picked team at the Duke alleys. The Decatur team will be selected from the customers of the place.

### How to Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver is inactive, you have a bilious look, if your stomach is disordered you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys are affected you have a pinched look. Secure good health and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alternative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys, purifies the blood, cures pimples, blotches and boils, and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores. 50 cents per bottle.

### \$10,000 FIRE LOSS.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 1.—Chas. P. Barry's residence, with costly furniture and brick-a-brac, burned today; loss \$10,000.

### EXPLOSION FATALITIES.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO, February 1.—The press mill of the Ohio Powder Works near here exploded this morning, destroying the building and killing Evan Evans and Daniel Davis, employees.

Dr. Clark Braden left this morning for Newnan, Ill., where he expects to deliver a series of lectures.

## DAMAGE SUIT

On Trial in the Circuit Court To-Day.

### ADMINISTRATOR OF LEE ROY

Seeks to Recover \$5,000 from the Electric Railway, the City and the Telephone Companies—Divorces Granted.

The damage suit of James M. Lee, administrator, etc., vs. the City Electric Railway et al., was on trial in the circuit court today. All the forenoon and a part of the afternoon was taken up in getting a jury. The plaintiff is suing to recover \$5,000 for the death of his son, who was killed by an electric wire. The decision of Judge Vail yesterday was that the city must answer as a defendant in both this case and that of the Hamilton boy, who was crippled by the electricity at the same time. The attorneys in the two cases are Shelley Bros. and Gibson and J. M. Gray for J. M. Lee, administrator; Shelley Bros. and Gibson and I. A. Buckingham for John Hamilton; City Attorney Lee and Hugh Crea for the city; Mills Bros. for the street car company and the Central Union Telephone Co., and Outten & Roby for the Citizens' Mutual Telephone Co. The case is one which will attract a good deal of interest and which will be a hard fought legal battle.

Today just before the adjournment for noon Judge Vail granted two divorces. The divorce bill of Elmore C. Hunter vs. Mattie C. Hunter was dismissed because the complainant had not lived in the state for a sufficient length of time.

The entries on the court dockets today were as follows:

### COMMON LAW.

Commercial Mutual Insurance Co., a corporation, for use of James C. Collins, receiver, vs. Augustine Wait et al.; agreed case. Jury waived and trial by court by agreement during last week of the term.

Gustavus F. Swift et al. vs. William P. Hunter et al.; debt. Demurrer by plaintiff to first and third pleas of defendants. Demurrer sustained and leave to amend third plea.

### CHANCERY.

Eugenia Pope vs. Francis Dupray and Rosina Dupray, chancery. Demurrer to supplemental bill. Demurrer overruled and rule to answer by next Monday.

John L. Rambo vs. Zelma M. Rambo, divorce. Cause heard and decree granted.

Rachel Jones vs. Samuel Jones, divorce. Decree of divorce.

Elmore C. Hunter vs. Mattie C. Hunter, divorce. Bill dismissed.



## CATARRH OF STOMACH.

A Pleasant, Simple, but Safe and Effectual Cure for It.

Catarrh of the stomach has long been considered the next thing to incurable. The usual symptoms are a full or bloated sensation after eating, accompanied sometimes with sour or watery risings, a formation of gases, causing pressure on the heart and lungs and difficult breathing; headaches, sickle appetite, nervousness and a general played out, languid feeling.

There is often a foul taste in the mouth, coated tongues and if the interior of the stomach could be seen it would show a slimy, inflamed condition.

The cure of this common and obstinate trouble is found in a treatment which causes the food to be readily thoroughly digested before it has time to ferment and irritate the delicate mucous surfaces of the stomach. To secure a prompt and healthy digestion is the one necessary thing to do and when normal digestion is secured the catarrhal condition will have disappeared.

According to Dr. Harrison the safest and best treatment is to use after each meal a tablet, composed of Distas, Aspeptic, Pepsin, a little Nux, Golden Seal and fruit acids. These tablets can now be found at all drug stores under the name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and not being a patent medicine can be used with perfect safety and assurance that healthy appetite and thorough digestion will follow their regular use after meals.

Mr. N. J. Boober, of 2710 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill., writes: "Catarrh is a local condition resulting from a neglected cold in the head, whereby the lining membrane of the nose becomes inflamed and the poisonous discharge therefrom passing backward into the throat reaches the stomach, thus producing catarrh of the stomach. Medical authorities prescribed for me for three years for catarrh of stomach without cure, but to-day I am the happiest of men after using only one box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. I cannot find appropriate words to express my good feeling. I have found flesh, appetite and sound rest from their use."

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the safest preparation as well as the simplest and most convenient remedy for any form of indigestion, catarrh of stomach, biliousness, sour stomach, heartburn and bloating after meals. Send for little book mailed free, on stomach troubles, by addressing Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich. The tablets can be found at all drug stores.

## STOLE THE PANTS.

And Then Sold Them for Five Cents to Get Money to Buy More Hime.

James Grogan was arrested this morning for stealing a pair of pants. He stole the trousers from W. H. Delaney, who boards at the Park hotel, and then took them to Chance's second hand store and sold them for five cents. The clothing was located and Grogan was suspected. When arrested by Officer Oscar Cross Grogan confessed that he had stolen the clothing. He is addicted to the morphine habit and the officers say he will do anything to get money to purchase the drug.

## STICKLE-WILLIAMS FIGHT.

Sports Will Go From This City to Back the Decatur Man.

Quite a number of the Decatur sports will go to Springfield this evening to attend the boxing contests to be held in that city. The contest in which the Decatur enthusiasts are particularly interested is the fight between Charley Stickle of this city and Eddie Williams of Springfield. Stickle is being managed by Peter Washer and is said to be in excellent shape for the fight. A special train will leave Decatur at 6.30 p. m. and it is expected that quite a number will go from this place.

## MARKETS.

FURNISHED BY E. L. TAYLOR, CHICAGO, ILL., Feb. 1.

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Wheat—	Open-	High-	Low-	Close-
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1899.

COST OF GOVERNING DIS-  
TANT ISLANDS.

St. Louis Glob.-Democrat: The probable annual expense of annexing the Philippines is a subject of general interest. Several senators, opposed to expansion, have put forward enormous estimates, one reaching nearly \$300,000,000 a year, or \$30 a head. A glance at accomplished facts and official figures is more to the purpose. England governs the 3,000,000 inhabitants of the Island of Ceylon for less than \$10,000,000 a year, or \$3 per head. The revenue almost balances this expenditure, so that the cost per capita is substantially nothing. England's army in Ceylon consists of 1800 British soldiers and an equal number of natives. The military expenses are paid from the colonial revenues, consuming about one-twelfth. Ceylon was seized by the English without consulting the inhabitants, but they are governed to their satisfaction, and far more intelligently and economically than ever before. The moral question of conquest is not considered here. Attention is called to the fact that it costs England nothing to govern Ceylon.

Holland, a nation considerably less populous than the state of Pennsylvania, governs a population of 32,000,000 in Java, Sumatra, Borneo and adjacent islands. The territorial area is six times that of the Philippines, and the population over three times as large. In a racial sense the inhabitants resemble the Filipinos. Holland spends on its East Indian possessions \$33,000,000 a year, a little over \$1 per head. Again in this case the colonial revenue meets the expenditures. Holland's colonies cost nothing. Up to the last insurrection the Philippines cost Spain nothing. Here are two enlightened and liberal nations, England and Holland, that rule over distant populous islands without one penny of expense to the home treasury. Senators who insist that to annex the Philippines will call for an annual expenditure of from \$100,000,000 to \$300,000,000 insult public intelligence. The net cost of governing the Philippines, as in the other cases, would be insignificant.

## BRYAN AND THE BIBLE.

A contributor to the Globe-Democrat takes up W. J. Bryan on his scriptural illustrations and finds him unfortunate. His contribution follows:

St. Louis, Mo., January 30.—In these stirring times of reawakening prosperity the admirers of Mr. Bryan must have remarked in his speeches the frequency of his quotations from scripture. It is evident that the good man is finding solace in a diligent search of the divine writing.

In a letter published in your issue yesterday, written by Mr. Bryan to his distinguished ex-brother in arms, Mr. Croker of New York, and dated March 16, 1898, after exhorting in his usual felicitous way, Mr. Bryan unbecomingly himself thus:

"I believe that the restoration of bimetalism is necessary, and that 16 to 1 is the only ratio at which bimetalism can be restored, and I have no right to expect favors from those who are hostile to this doctrine. I can say to bimetalism at 16 to 1 as Ruth said to Naomi:

"Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest I will go, and where thou lodgest I will lodge. Thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God. Where thou diest will I die, and there will I be buried. The Lord do so to me, and more also, if aught but death part thee and me."

Likening himself to Ruth and bimetalism to Naomi—most fitly! But to find texts to support any position—doctrinal, economical, and even political—is not alone the prerogative of the orthodox.

In referring us to the Book of Ruth, did Mr. Bryan expect us "to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" what follows a few verses further on in the same chapter? For there it is written that when the two, Naomi and Ruth,

Were come to Bethlehem, that all the city was moved about them, and they said, "Is this Naomi?"

And she said unto them, "Call me not Naomi (meaning pleasant); call me Mara (meaning bitter); for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me."

"I went out full; and the Lord hath brought me home again empty. Why, then, call ye me Naomi, seeing the Lord hath testified against me, and the Almighty hath afflicted me?"

Aye, indeed, bitter was their lot till Ruth lay humbly at the feet of Boaz, "a mighty man of wealth."

Yours faithfully,  
H. L. CHASE.

General Miles says he proposes to prove that there was no beef during the war, but that he did not intend to reflect on the contractors or the commissary department. This shows him to be even smaller than his enemies estimated him. No one disputes there was no beef during the war. It could not be otherwise. But the beef, had it been, was superior to some of the beef of today.

But the majority

## If You Have Money in the Bank Take It Out!

Your money may be safe enough and it may be drawing 3 or 4 per cent. interest but if the same money, or a portion of it, will buy you needed footwear at about half the usual prices, isn't it policy to invest in footwear? Some that were \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, are now \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50.

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Following up the workings of the Little Conqueror in Decatur, many surprising cases are being placed before the public. Our citizens are surprised and delighted. They express their approval in an emphatic manner, never hesitating to let the public know what it means to be conversant with the capabilities of the Little Conqueror. A good example of this comes from East Washington street. Mr. W. T. Walsley, a much respected resident, was found by our representative at his home, No. 318, and the following is the account in detail of his case as given in his own words.

Mr. Walsley, who is a painter at the Union Iron Works, says: "I had symptoms of kidney trouble for a year or more, with pains in the small of my back and loins. The kidney secretions were highly colored and painful. No doubt, stooping so much at my work and the smell of turpentine and paint was the cause of a good deal of my trouble. If my condition was not serious it was at least annoying to put up with. I commenced to look around for a remedy that would cure me. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and so highly endorsed by others who had used them that I got a box at a drug store. After taking them for a few days I felt better and kept on with the treatment. In a little time afterwards there was no need in taking more, for I had no backache and the kidney secretions were normal in every way. You can put me down as one who can highly endorse the claims made for Doan's Kidney Pills."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

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The laughter of man is the contentment of God.—John Weiss.

## The Lather Act.

Every school, business or otherwise, has to a certain extent imitated college customs, but a genuine novelty in this line has been sprung on the public. The pupils of a barber school in Philadelphia indulged in a little "blow-out" recently, and during the evening some ingenious youth proposed that they should adopt a college yell. The suggestion made a big hit, and after a lively discussion a cry was gotten up which suited everyone. Later in the evening pedestrians were startled when a crowd of merry youngsters passed along shouting:

"Hah! Hah! Hah! We're scalpers. by gum!  
Haircut, shampoo, shave, bay rum!  
Next! Next! Next!"—Baltimore Herald.

**Taxes on Hearths and Windows.**  
Among the most curious of the taxes which have from time to time been imposed are those upon chimneys and upon windows. The former tax was first enforced in 1662, and was at the rate of two shillings upon every hearth or chimney. This was an obnoxious tax, and William III. immediately on his accession to the throne obtained some popularity by sending a message to parliament desiring that the imposition should be taken off (March 1 1689), and his majesty's faithful commons complied with their sovereign's request. The window tax, of which our fathers and grandfathers still talk, was not repealed until 1851.—Cornhill Magazine.

## Aged Legislators.

In the Canadian senate one-third of the members are in the seventies five are in the eighties, and the senior of the house is ninety-four. This is David Wark, who was born in Londonderry Ireland, and went to New Brunswick in 1825. When the federation of British North America was formed 20 years ago he was called to the senate, and has sat there ever since as a liberal member.—Chicago Tribune.

## It Was a Starter.

"Yes," he said, "we were out sleigh riding last evening, and Miss Miller was driving, and she didn't hold me in very tight, you know, and the sleigh struck a rut and I went head over heels into a snow bank."

"Didn't it startle you?" queried the pretty girl on the right.  
"Yess," he answered, "it gave me quite a turn!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## The Cause.

Mr. Muchbless—Yes, doctor, I have a frightful cold, but what did you say was your special method of treatment?  
Physician—We strike at the cause or origin of the trouble.

"That's odd. Anyhow, you'll find the baby in the other room."—Chicago Journal.

## Ecotistical.

"The trouble with him," said the young man who had been trying to fit tingly describe an acquaintance, "is that when he dipped into the sea of knowledge he brought up so much that the blamed thing went dry."—Chicago Post.

## An Explanation.

The Fox—Good morning, friend. I'm afraid there is something about me you don't like.

The Bird—Well, you're right! It's your appetite.—Puck.

## Heads on Coins.

No human head was impressed on coin until after the death of Alexander the Great. All images before that time were deities.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

**Seven Years on a Handkerchief.**  
It took seven years to make a handkerchief for which the empress of Russia paid \$1,000.—N. Y. Sun.

## She Might Furnish Them.

Don't expect a girl to furnish proofs of her statement to the effect that she can't sing.—Chicago Daily News.

## It Wasn't.

Don't expect a coat of paint to cover a woman's age successfully.—Chicago Daily News.

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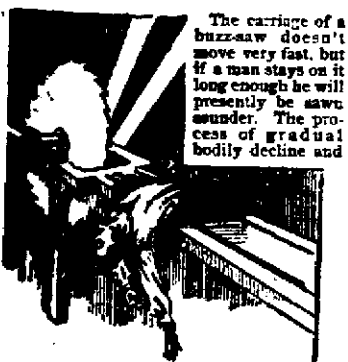
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## "MARKED DOWN."

The Wise Shopper Knows Just How to Take Advantage of This Situation.

The phrase "marked down" has great fascination for women. This is not discreditable to their hearts, for while one-tenth may hunt bargains, hoping to shine thereby in finery they could not afford at first cost, the other nine-tenths are merely straining their nerves a little more in the effort to make their husband's earnings go even further, and provide yet more liberally for him, home and the children, says the Gentlewoman.

But women's hearts often play sorry tricks with their heads. There are many kinds of "bargains." Some are real. Many are spurious. Merchants are human and therefore fallible. They are in business to make money for themselves, not for your benefit or mine. Just remember this when you go bargain hunting.

Discriminate. Take advantage of the mark down on goods you need that are worth buying. Let all others alone, if you truly wish to be economical. The greatest reductions in price generally are on pronounced styles that are rapidly going out of fashion and will soon be noticeably odd and out of date.

Buy as cheaply always as you can buy good quality. But don't be misled by grandiose statements into buying poor goods at any price, and when a "tremendous mark down" stares you in the face be sure there is some excellent reason for the drop in price. Perhaps the reason does not prevent the article being a good bargain for you. Often the reason of the reduction is one that makes the article no bargain for anyone.

## LUCKY DEUCE OF SPADES.

A Remarkable Run of Luck, But It Was All for the Other Man.

One by one the old superstitions are being torn from us. People nowadays walk ostentatiously under ladders and suffer no evil consequences. Friday is quite a popular day for the commencement of a long journey, and sitting down 13 at dinner is frequently unattended with untoward results. A deeply rooted superstition among card players is a belief in the lucky properties of the two of spades. The present writer's faith, however, was severely shaken by a phenomenal coincidence which occurred only a few days ago, says the London Mail.

Sitting down to a game of whist, he thoroughly shuffled both packs of cards, and happened to notice that the two of spades was the bottom card of one of the packs.

"This ought to bring me luck," he remarked to his friends. He then took up the second pack, and was astonished to find that the two of spades was also at the bottom of that. Words failed to express his amazement when, in drawing for partners and deal—the cards had been shuffled again—he once more drew the two of spades.

The odds against this triple event occurring must be enormous, but more was to follow. The deal fell to the writer, and the turn-up card was the inevitable two of spades!

After this the dealer felt justified in believing he was in for a good evening. As a matter of fact, he lost six rubbers in succession.

## BAZIN'S ROLLER SHIP.

Cost Over One Hundred Thousand Dollars to Disprove a New Idea in Navigation.

Bazin's roller ship, which cost over \$100,000 to test an entirely new idea in navigation, has recently been sold at Hull, England, and will be dismantled and broken up, according to the Sketch. Bazin's central idea of facilitating the ship's progress by rolling over the water instead of forcing a passage through it was just one of those problems which can be solved only by a full-sized trial, and the maritime world is indebted to him for definitely setting at rest for all time the impossibility of attaining any notable improvement in speed or stability by the adoption of the roller principle. The six hollow rollers are about 35 feet in diameter and 12 feet thick; the shape closely resembles two saucers having the edges joined together. About one-quarter of each roller is submerged; no part of the hull of the vessel touches the water. The deck, about 130 feet long and 44 feet wide, is elevated considerably above the water line and carries the superstructure devoted to passenger accommodation and machinery spaces. The method of propulsion is the usual screw, rotating in an inclined position between the rollers and driven by a 500-horse power engine; the rollers also possess independent motive power in the form of a smaller engine connected to each pair. Unfortunately, on trial the ship hardly realized half the speed anticipated.

## Exhibition of Falconry.

At the Paris exposition in 1889 a novel exhibit will be made of falconry, installed in the historical department of the section devoted to hunting. There will be shown all the implements used in the ancient sport, such as gloves, hoods, bags, uniforms, etc. There will also be noted pictures of hunting with falcons, such as Darnett's, in the Orleans museum, representing Anne of Austria surrounded by her court women, all with falcons on their wrists. There will be portraits of noted falconers, preserved in the collections of prominent families, and tapestries on hunting subjects.

## Dried Bananas.

Dried bananas are now being exported from Queensland. They are intended as a substitute for raisins in British puddings.

## To Consumptives.

An honest remedy, Foley's Honey and Tar does not hold out false hopes in advanced stages, but truthfully claims to give comfort and relief to the worst cases, and in the early stage to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Silk is considered necromancy by the Mohammedans, because it is the product of a worm.

New South Wales contains more flowering plants than all Europe.

One thousand rose trees are ordinarily required to supply two ounces of attar of roses.

## English Officers' Mess.

What is the average cost of messing per day, or the price of breakfast, luncheon, dinner, without allowance for wine or beer? The average cost in any well-ordered regiment is four shillings a day; it has been known to be done cheaper, and of course in some cavalry regiments and "crick" corps the amount is considerably higher. However, four shillings a day may be taken as a very fair average, and we cannot say that we think this sum to be at all out of the way. The house dinner in the cheapest recognized London club comes to half a crown, including table money; and there are few places, we fancy, where one can get a gracefully served breakfast and luncheon, with no lack of variety, for the combined sum of 18 pence. In fact, it is only fair to state that the ordinary charges for daily messing have been brought within such limits that those officers who may not have much private means may be enabled to live in a comfortable and suitable manner.—Chambers's Journal.

## A Justifiable Protest.

"What's that?" cried the convicted incendiary. "Five years." Well, if you people ain't about the worst I ever ran up against! Here I goes out in the evening and sets fire to the tallest building in town—sets fire to it so that in less'n a minute the thing's shootin' blaze 100 feet up into the sky. The whole population is there quicker'n seat, all of you tickled to death at the sight! For four or five hours you stood there watchin' the fire—hours of solid enjoyment too—'an' it not costin' you a cent! Why, a circus or the theater or a scandal trial wouldn't have given you half as much fun, an' you know it! Ar' you sit there an' bring in a verdict givin' me five years in the penitentiary—me that's shown you all a good time an' ought to be considered as a benefactor if there was any gratitude in the human bosom!"—N. Y. Journal.

## A Bottle Fed Lioness.

The visitors of the "Zoo" at Dachen, a famous watering place in Germany, were lately often surprised by a very peculiar sight. From behind a stove a young lioness would suddenly appear and walk around the beer hall. The little beast has the distinction of having been "brought up on a bottle." The old lioness, its mother, was too indifferent to supply her cubs with nourishment and as a result several of them died. But a governess in the family of the keeper of the "Zoo," Miss Hohn, determined to keep at least one of the little lionesses alive. She selected one called Princess, and patiently nursed her on a bottle until she had been weaned and could take care of herself. As a result of this unusual treatment Princess has developed into as tame and domestic an animal as any house cat.—N. Y. Journal.

## A Beast That Smokes.

The most fatigued or refractory dromedary is refreshed and brought to submission by a few whiffs of the fragrant weed, and if an arduous journey is to be performed, he calls for his cigar at intervals and enjoys it with a placidity and air of contentment which are almost ludicrous. A triangular wooden holder is first inserted into his mouth, and the cigar is then lighted and placed in the holder. The dromedary closes his eyes in ecstatic anticipation and then smokes diligently until the cigar is exhausted. By the time the weed is finished the dromedary is in fine condition. The process of recuperation is often repeated a dozen times a day.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

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## Peculiar.

"Ah! funeral, I see," said the tourist. "Yass," assented Rubberneck Bill. "Pizen Ike."

"Er—lemme see; wasn't there something peculiar about his death?"

"Wal, yass. It happened a darn sight later than anyone who had knowed him thought it would."—Indianapolis Journal.

## The Smell of Flowers.

A scientist of note has discovered that the smell of flowers is injurious to the voice. He declares that several operatic singers of his acquaintance owe the loss of their voices to their passion for certain sweet-smelling flowers.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

## His Avocation.

Maud Edith—The count did not make any attempt to find out the amount of your wealth, did he?

Ethel Alice—He said nothing to me of course. He is too well bred to talk shop.—Indianapolis Journal.

## Had Served His Time.

Gayman—This is a great day with us at home. My daughter "comes out" tonight.

Dumley—Don't say so! So does my brother. He's been in for seven years.—Chicago Journal.

## Its Advantage.

"I don't know as Kitty would care for this jump."

"But think how easily you can change the price, \$1.93, to look like \$4.95!"—Brooklyn Life.

## The Cause.

Brown—Only a short time ago Smith was particularly prosperous. What caused his failure?

Towne—He neglected his business to celebrate his success.—Brooklyn Life.

## Presumably.

Tip—The bicycle school started with a good attendance.

Tapp—But I suppose the attendance fell off?—Stray Stories.

## Headlight.

Don't lock your stable door after the horse is stolen. Possibly the thief may repent and bring it back. — Chicago Daily News.

## CATHARINE II. OF CHINA.

Grand Old Woman Who Has So Long Ruled the Celestial Empire.

Catharine II. of China is not merely a great empress; historians of the future may be trusted to regard her as a great woman. A dispatch recently cabled from Peking to the Herald describes her as seated on a dais receiving the ladies of the diplomatic corps. The emperor is reported to have been also present, but unimportantly, at her left. It was nice of her, though, to let him be there at all. He is but the nephew of his aunt. It is the lady who reigns and who has reigned for 37 years. Said Confucius: "Man is to woman what the sun is to the moon; he orders, she obeys, and harmony is the result." Confucius was wise in his generation, but not in nineteenth century Cathay. There the moon orders, and not the sun merely but the nephew also obeys. It is as well, perhaps. There are predecessors of his who balked and who because of it rejoined their ancestors instantly. Catharine II. of China is a lady who likes her own way. That, however, is natural. Catharine I. of Russia began life as a servant. Catharine II. of China began as a slave. It is said that, contrary to local custom, her face is not painted. But everything about her is contrary to local custom. Never till she emerged from her seclusion has a woman dreamed of usurping the dragon seat. Fancy an odalisque stepping from the seraglio and ousting the sultan from his throne. Such a performance is unimaginable, and yet this lady has done better, one might even say worse.

The empress dowager is by birth a Tartar. The fact is worth noting. Tartars do not mutilate their daughters' feet. The girl had free use of hers. At the age of 11 she was sold to a mandarin. In and about his household her feet took her where her superiors could not go. A Chinese girl who marries passes from one prison to another. Of the outer world she knows nothing. Of that outer world her slaves know all. It was this way with little Tsi An. What she did not know she guessed, and what she could not guess she learned. She learned to dance. A bee could not equal her. She learned to read. On the tip of her tongue were a hundred stories each more diverting than the other. On the tom-tom she learned to strum. The three notes that are dear to the orient she repeated surprisingly. She learned more difficult things, too; how to arrange a basket of fruit, how to touch flowers, how to smile, and how to hold her tongue. Astonished at the prodigy, the mandarin sent her as a curiosity to his sovereign at Peking. One day the Son of Heaven noticed her. The slave became a favorite, and, becoming a mother, became also a secondary wife. There one might suppose, that had she ambitions they would have rested. It was there they began. Though that was 37 years ago they have been increasing ever since. As recently related here, there successively departed this life the Son of Heaven, the Son of Heaven's son, others who were in the way. Thereafter she was supreme.

Lately, when the ladies of the diplomatic corps paraded before her she patted the wife of the British ambassador on the cheek. The Herald states that in doing so she wore a charming smile. One may readily believe it. Her hand is as strong as her rise is prodigious. In modern times both are unparalleled. There is indeed another instance of a slave attaining imperial power, but it occurred in Hayti, and what occurs in Hayti does not count. Even otherwise this lady is unique. Regarded merely as a Chinese freeholder, she is destined to burn into history with a flame intolerably vicious perhaps, and yet entirely her own.—Collier's Weekly.

## NOT A HAPPY LOT.

Requirements of the Unfortunate Men Who Seek Positions in Chinese Mail Service.

Difficulties of the civil service examination are multiplied tenfold in the requirements set down by law of applicants for positions in the mail service of China.

In the first place an applicant must have strength and courage. To acquire these he goes through a very queer method of training. He wanders through mountains and valleys, forests and caves. The exact time to be occupied in a trip is fixed by law, and a heavy fine is imposed for unnecessary delay. He must repeat these trips at night, and if he listens to the bad spirit and thereby fails to appear at the required time at a certain place he is sure to lose his rights to a position.

This is not all. He is obliged to carry an enormous weight for many miles and return with it within a given time. No allowance is made for his inability to defend himself against thieves and highwaymen, his road usually leading through a district thick with bandits. In training the candidate eats very little—though he is used to this—and he tries every straining exercise. Then comes his real examination, under the direction of government officials. He is taken into a long room where, suspended from a high beam with strong ropes are very heavy sacks with rocks.

The candidate must give a swinging motion to all these sacks and then run to and fro between them, carefully guarding against a blow by one of the heavy weights.—Chicago Journal.

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## Booklet on Asthma.

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## Tri-Annual Statement Showing the Condition of

THE PEOPLE'S SAVINGS and LOAN ASSOCIATION,

Before the Commencement of Business on the Morning of January 1, 1899.

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

From September 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899.

RECEIPTS.	DISBURSEMENTS.
From Installments on Shares \$ 31,874.90	For Installments Withdrawn \$ 27,450.00
Interest..... 9,065.35	Withdrawn Profits..... 5,152.41
Premiums..... 1,638.91	Dues on Matured Shares..... 1,430.00
Fines..... 188.40	Profit on Matured Shares..... 2,200.00
Loans Repaid by Shareholders..... 46,895.00	Interest on Advance Dues..... 25.10
Rents..... 1,077.50	Interest on Matured Shares..... 21.00
Real Estate, Account..... 3,864.13	Expense..... 1,454.00
Value of Shares..... 17.50	Postage and Printing..... 20.00
Accounts Receivable..... 4,875.77	Revenue Stamps..... 2.00
Balance at Last Report.....	Loans Made..... 15,410.00
	Real Estate..... 17,543.00
	Repairs and Taxes on Real Estate..... 750.00
	Cash in Bank, Less Outstanding Check..... 20,000.00
	Cash in Office..... 85.00
\$105,707.55	\$105,707.55

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.	LIABILITIES.
Loans in Force..... \$401,280.00	Installments on Stock..... \$127,000.00
Dues in Default..... 2,789.00	Advance Payments Account..... 61,500.00
Interest in Default..... 1,157.20	Shares..... 1,430.00
Premiums in Default..... 500.00	Advance Payments Account..... 144.00
Fines in Default..... 194.00	Interest..... 41.50
Interest Accrued..... 2,331.50	Advance Payments Account..... 65.00
Taxes Advanced..... 555.76	Payments..... 70.00
Stationery and Fixtures..... 675.00	Matured Shares..... 700.00
Revenue Stamps..... 19.00	Contingent Fund..... 8,750.00
Accounts Receivable..... 49.00	Surplus, or Profit..... 121,068.00
Real Estate..... 68,614.58	
Cash in Bank, (\$28,491.41, less outstanding check, \$2,462.11)..... 26,029.30	
Cash in Office..... 85.00	
\$565,341.73	\$565,341.73

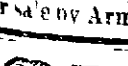
## APPORTIONMENT OF PROFITS

To Shares in Force Jan. 1, 1899.

CLASS "A."					CLASS "C."				
No. Shares.	Date of Issue.	Dues Paid per Share.	Profits per Share.	Value per Share.	No. Shares.	Date of Issue.	Dues Paid per Share.	Profits per Share.	Value per Share.
15	September, 1888	\$62.00	\$25.79	\$87.79	24	September, 1892	\$76.00	\$21.92	\$97.92
16	March, 1889	50.00	31.47	81.47	25	January, 1893	72.00	19.26	91.26
17	September, 1888	50.00	27.54	77.54	26	May, 1893	68.00	16.87	84.87
18	March, 1889	83.00	24.11	107.11	27	September, 1893	64.00	14.03	78.03
19	September, 1889	60.00	20.80	80.80	28	January, 1894	60.00	12.63	72.63
20	March, 1890	47.00	18.07	65.07	29	May, 1894	56.00	10.81	66.81
21	September, 1891	44.00	15.40	59.40	30	September, 1894	52.00	9.17	61.17
22	January, 1892	42.00	13.84	55.84	31	January, 1895	48.00	7.65	55.65
23	May, 1892	40.00	12.33	52.33	32	May, 1895	44.00	6.33	50.33
24	September, 1892	38.00	11.01	49.01	33	September, 1895	40.00	5.13	45.13
25	January, 1893	36.00	9.82	45.82	34	January, 1896	36.00	4.07	40.07
26	May, 1893	34.00	8.72	42.72	35	May, 1896	32.00	3.18	35.18
27	September, 1893	32.00	7.73	39.73	36	September, 1896	28.00	2.38	30.38
28	January, 1894	30.00	6.81	36.81	37	January, 1897	24.00	1.70	25.70
29	May, 1894	28.00	5.98	33.98	38	May, 1897	20.00	1.16	21.16
30	September, 1894	26.00	5.25	31.25	39	September, 1897	16.00	.73	16.73
31	January, 1895	24.00	4.58	28.58	40	January, 1898	12.00	.41	12.41
32	May, 1895	22.00	3.98	25.98	41	May, 1898	8.00	.18	8.18
33	September, 1895	20.00	3.43	23.43	42	September, 1898	4.00	.05	4.05
34	January, 1896	18.00	2.92	20.92					
35	May, 1896	16.00	2.46	18.46					
36	September, 1896	14.00	2.05	16.05					
37	January, 1897	12.00	1.68	13.68					
38	May, 1897	10.00	1.35	11.35					
39	September, 1897	8.00	.98	8.98					
40	January, 1898	6.00	.59	6.59					
41	May, 1898	4.00	.29	4.29					
42	September, 1898	2.00	.02	2.02					



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L. OGDEN'S News House.

There will be a meeting of the Daughters of the Revolution tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the home of Mrs. S. S. Jack on West Main street. Important business. All members urged to be present.

William C. Maundeville, who will be seen here tonight in the role made famous by DeWolf Hopper, in "El Capitan," is a young comedian of much promise, whose methods are thoroughly legitimate and who never offends good taste in his work. In this respect many who make greater pretensions than Maundeville could learn a lesson.

### Dangers of the Grip.

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### Administrator.

In the county court Tuesday Harry English asked to be appointed administrator of the estate of the late Morgan English. The petition was granted and bond was given in the sum of \$1200. There is about \$600 worth of personal property and land in Iowa.

### Ground Hog Day.

Tomorrow will be ground hog day. In the morning the ground hog will come out of his hole and take a look at the weather. If the sun is out and casts a shadow he will immediately return to his hole and we will have six weeks more of cold weather, but if it is cloudy and there is no shadow the ground hog will stay out and this will indicate that spring has come.

### Appear in April.

John Smith, Charles Benvenuto and William H. Smith, the three men who were arrested on a charge of having assaulted Noble, the miner at Niagara, have been given bond in the sum of \$300 for their appearance in the county court in April.

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## BOWLERS AT BRINK'S

Professional All Star Players Win Two Games.

### WHEELMEN AND WHOLETHINGS

Meet Defeat but They Made Good Total Scores—Patronage a Frost for Mr. Brinkmeyer.

When Mr. Brinkmeyer made a contract involving a guarantee of \$75 on his part to bring the All Star Bowling Team to Decatur for afternoon and evening games it was confidently expected that all of the local bowlers would attend and give financial encouragement to the management who believed that such exhibitions by experts would at least pay expenses. It was a frost for Brink. He took in but \$12.50 for paid admissions, afternoon and night, and is out about \$100 in cash on the venture. He did not expect to make anything out of the show, but he did think he would play about even. He knows better now. There are 175 to 200 bowlers in Decatur, but not more than a dozen witnessed both games. Evidently they did not want to pay cash for looking on. One man said in the afternoon to a reporter, "No, I'm not going. I'd rather bowl 50 cents worth." That answer told the whole story.

The two exhibition games were well worth witnessing, the All Stars playing as hard for big scores as if they were pitted against teams of equal ability. Just like amateurs they had bad breaks occasionally, but they seldom missed getting a spare. They sent speedy balls from the south edge of the alley and did it with admirable ease and skill.

The Wheelmen did well, but the Whole Things did better and the post-office boys were consequently in ecstasies of delight, albeit the difference in their favor was only 80 pins over the Wheelmen's total score.

The All Stars come from various cities, MacLellan of New York, with an average of 187 in 28 games; J. A. Bender of Chicago, with an average of 217. He is the man who recently scored 300, the limit, in a Chicago game. Obermeyer of Toledo, a young man who lost his left arm in a horse car accident when he was a boy, average 182; Manager Thompson of New York and Chicago, average 179; Fittsinger of Buffalo, N. Y.; Lee of Chicago; Collins of Columbus, Ohio; Boernmann of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Gubler of Detroit; Brill of Long Island City; Kuppinger of Cincinnati. The All Stars are on a tour of the principal cities and will be on the road until March. They have played 90 games to date and have lost 22. They lost five out of 12 at Columbus and two out of six at Terre Haute. All are finely built men of varying ages and on the alleys they are quiet and genial, encouraging each other to their best efforts. The All Stars left for Bloomington today.

### WHEELMEN BEATEN.

The All Stars defeated the Wheelmen during the afternoon 300 pins. This is the story:

All Stars:				
Boernmann.....	110	161	179	450
Gubler.....	151	160	131	442
Bender.....	127	141	133	401
Diller.....	131	137	164	432
Kuppinger.....	199	171	168	538
Totals.....	702	770	775	2247

### WHEELMEN.

Wheelmen:				
Diller.....	171	108	107	386
Davis.....	119	100	93	312
Ellis.....	118	149	125	411
Dillehunt.....	138	148	157	443
Deetz.....	150	127	113	390
Totals.....	719	691	695	1999

### WHOLE THINGS BEATEN.

At night the All Stars gave the Whole Things a trouncing, defeating them 427 pins. The story:

All Stars:				
MacLellan.....	158	140	107	405
Fittsinger.....	121	148	189	458
Obermeyer.....	181	193	106	540
Lee.....	126	176	165	467
Collins.....	161	150	193	504
Totals.....	747	818	899	2458

### Whole Things:

Whole Things:				
Masteron.....	136	158	145	439
Back.....	125	121	145	393
Welch.....	157	118	138	403
Siewers.....	145	126	161	392
Hubbard.....	126	159	121	406
Totals.....	699	684	643	2026

### DOWN TO \$750 A MILE.

Cost of Graveled Roads in the Vicinity of Gibson.

Exchange: In most towns of central Illinois grain hauling is suspended until the roads are better. But not so at Gibson City. Fifty-one miles of gravelled roads lead to that town, and mud and bad roads are unknown there. Of these 51 miles of gravelled roads Drummer township, in which Gibson City is situated, has all but three miles of it. None of these gravelled

roads extends a greater distance from Gibson City than seven miles. Thus the town gets practically all the trade within that radius. For nine years these roads have been building. The township buys gravel pits, and the work is done by taxation of the property improved. The first year it cost about \$2300 to make one mile of gravelled road. Competition and the contract system have brought down the price till last season several miles were made at a cost of but \$750 per mile. There are a little over 100 miles of road in Drummer township and it is the intention to gravel all of them just as fast as it can be done. Gravel has been found there in large quantities in the most unexpected places.

### MISSIONARY LECTURE

Held Last Evening Under the Auspices of the Christian Endeavor Union.

At the First Baptist church last evening the Christian Endeavor Union held the first of a series of missionary extension lectures which will be held under the auspices of the organization. There was a good attendance of the Christian Endeavor members of the city. There were short services by Rev. S. H. Bowyer and Rev. W. H. Penhalligon and the music was in charge of Milton Johnson, Jr. The Church of God won the banner for having present the greatest per cent of its membership, 77.9 per cent.

The lecture was delivered by Dr. Thomas Marshall, secretary of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions. His subject was "A Worldwide View of Foreign Missions." The speaker told of the progress of the work in the various parts of the world. The services closed by a benediction by Rev. George F. Hall. There will be another lecture some time in February and a third in March.

### THE STAGE

#### "EL CAPITAN" TONIGHT.

Tonight at the Grand will be devoted to the production of Sousa and Klein's successful opera "El Capitan." It will be seen and heard in all its original splendor and magnificence, as the opera will be staged and mounted with all the original paraphernalia, including its superb scenic investiture, its gorgeous costumes, magnificent dresses, elaborate draperies, and other expensive equipments. The music of the opera, which in the language of Katisha, is worth going miles to hear, is from the facile pen of a popular idol among American theatregoers, John Philip Sousa, the famous bandmaster, and its score contains some of the composer's liveliest two-step compositions, his "El Capitan" march easily leads all competitors in popularity, and the vocal and instrumental arrangement of his "Stars and Stripes" march, which is now given at the conclusion of the second act of the opera, never fails to arouse the utmost enthusiasm.

#### ANOTHER.

"The Highwayman" comic opera will be the attraction Saturday night.

#### "THE DAZZLER."

This lively comedy will be the attraction Monday evening, February 6.

### EXHIBITION IN BILLIARDS

Given Last Evening at the St. Nicholas Hotel Billiard Room.

Lon Shaw, the crack billiard player, gave an exhibition last night in the billiard room in the St. Nicholas hotel. There was a large audience of lovers of the game. Mr. Shaw first played a game of three ball billiards, 100 or no count, with Mr. Payne of Springfield. Mr. Shaw made several runs of 30 and 40 each and in the 10th inning he made his 100, when Payne had 60 points.

After the game Mr. Shaw gave an exhibition of fancy shots with one and fingers, which were truly wonderful. Mr. Shaw will play a match game this evening. Mrs. Shaw is also a crack billiard player, but did not give an exhibition last night.

### CHARITY CARD PARTY.

Attendance Not as Large as Affair Deserved—Money to Buy Shoes.

The charity card party given last evening at the K. of P. hall in the Powers block by the members of the Needlework Guild was a great success. The attendance was not as large as was hoped for but those present enjoyed themselves. The guests played six-hand euchre and prizes were given to the winners. The first prize for the ladies was won by Mrs. G. D. Thomas and the second by Miss Knox. The first prize for gentlemen was taken by W. F. Bushier and the second by W. P. Shade. The proceeds of the entertainment will be used to purchase shoes for the poor of the city.

No man can know everything, but he is not obliged to lead the conversation on those topics with which he is unacquainted.

## BUSINESS CHANGE

The Culvers Have Sold Their Interests in

DECATUR GAS & ELECTRIC CO.

J. H. Culver Will Go to Florida for His Health—George C. Danforth in Full Control of the Management.

An important change took place Tuesday in the business of the Decatur Gas and Electric company. J. H. Culver of this city and Col. J. S. Culver of Springfield, sold their interests in the company to G. C. Danforth, the manager, and D. H. McCoy of Peoria. Mr. Culver has been associated with Mr. Danforth since the gas company and the Electric company were consolidated. Since that time many extensive improvements have been made and the holdings of the company are valuable.

J. H. Culver has recently been in poor health and he will leave this month for Florida in the hope of benefitting his health. The company is now under the sole management of Mr. Danforth.

The old gas company was sold a year ago and was consolidated with the Calver Electric Light company, the stock in the new company being equally divided. According to the arrangement made at the time Mr. Culver cannot engage in the electric business in Decatur. He is still connected with the Calver Electric Co., and the firm is now engaged in putting a plant at Moweaqua.

### CONDENSED HORSE SENSE.

A Few Rules Which May be Observed During the Cold Weather.

Such extremely cold weather as we are now experiencing causes no more suffering to people than it does to horses if they are not properly cared for. Many horses are used in Decatur throughout the winter both in private vehicles and in wagons and few drivers exercise the proper precautions with their animals. While their intentions are good they neglect many little details which if looked after would save the horses a good deal of suffering.

One who thoroughly understands horses and who regards their treatment from the standpoint of a humanitarian and a horseman, gives the following list of "don'ts," which he says may well be observed by those who wish to show good "horse sense."

Don't neglect to have the horse rough shod as it prevents slips, sprains and bruises.

Don't allow your horse to be clipped.

Don't speed when it is extremely cold as the air cuts the throat and lungs of the horse.

Don't forget to warm the bit before putting it in the horse's mouth.

Don't allow the horse to stand unprotected after being heated.

Don't hitch the horse with head pointing toward the wind. It not only deprives him of his most sensitive parts, but deprives him of the shelter of the vehicle.

Don't be sparing with good, substantial food.

Don't fail to have drinking water warmed or else water the horse frequently.

Don't water the horse when he is heated or immediately after severe work.

Don't neglect to keep your barn in proper weather proof condition.

Don't try to economize in the horse's clothing, but give him plenty of covering to keep him warm.

### Grip's Ravages Doomed.

So much misery and so many deaths have been caused by the Grip, that every one should know what a wonderful remedy for this malady is found in Dr. King's New Discovery. That distressing stubborn cough, that inflames your throat, robs you of sleep, weakens your system and paves the way for Consumption is quickly stopped by this matchless cure. If you have chills and fever, pain in the back of the head, soreness in bones and muscles, sore throat and that cough that grips your throat like a vise, you need Dr. King's New Discovery to cure your Grip and prevent Pneumonia or Consumption. Price 50 cents and \$1.00. Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at the drug store of C. F. Shilling and J. E. King.

### Men and Teams Wanted.

We want extra men and teams to transport tomorrow morning at the old county bridge to assist in the ice harvest. Come early.

### Saloon Sold.

Friels and Grass have sold their saloon on Merchant street to C. J. McCann and C. C. Dacy of Clinton. The new owners have taken possession of the place.

## ROYAL BAKING POWDER

ABSOLUTELY PURE.

Makes the food more delicious and wholesome.

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